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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant submits herewith information that the Office may wish to consider in examination of the subject application. Materials submitted for consideration are listed on the attached form PTO-SB08.

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Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Applicants believe there are no fees due. However,

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